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## THANK YOU!

Looking back at the last few years, Freedom of Road Riders has had some lumps and bumps. Our membership has struggled to remain a cohesive group and as a result, the membership numbers keep declining. As with any organization, there are the hand full of individuals who are always right there, willing to go that extra mile for the good of the organization, and those who sit in the background pointing fingers at those they feel are not doing enough. As for me personally, I don't give two hoots how long you have been a member or what Local you are in, if you are stepping up to the plate and being an active member of this great organization, then I want to thank YOU! As Vice Chairman of FORR, I have learned a lot. I have seen firsthand the people who continue to work their asses off so that Freedom of Road Riders will be able to carry on. They do so for the love of the organization and their fight for Freedom. I would like to say thank you to the following people who may have felt forgotten, but are so deserving of a public THANK YOU for all you do for FORR:

Doug Clawson – Riders Education Coordinator – Thank you for all your years of service to this organization. Your hard work and dedication to the program has made it the success it is today. Thank you for doing so much on your own time and money. If there is one person in this organization who gets left out of a lot, it's you. I apologize for not showing you the appreciation you deserve. I hope someone can twist your arm and talk you into staying.

Greg "Halfbreed" Mullanix – Club Liaison – My dear friend and mentor. Thank you for coming out of retirement and stepping up to the plate when we needed someone with your respect and experience to represent us at the COC meetings. You should have been at home taking care of yourself, but instead, you endured the long hours of driving back and forth to meetings. I hope 2016 brings you health and happiness and some time with your knees in the breeze.

Bill Kempker – Legislative Coordinator – Thank you doesn't really seem enough when you figure in how many personal, vacation and the occasional "sick days" you burn at work so you can be at the Capital to represent us. But in all honesty and sincerity, thank you for your passion and dedication to this organization. Without you, our voices would not be heard as often as they are.

Larry Scott – Webmaster – Thank you Mr. Scott for staying on, even after you were crucified on the CC floor for doing a job that no one else wants. I am grateful to you for sticking it out, when it would have been understandable for you to walk away. Time after time you have asked for ideas from the membership as far as what changes they wanted to see in the web page and I can't say that I was ever carbon copied in any replies. I hope that someday your hard work will be appreciated, but until then I just want you to know that I do.

Mike "Taz" Moeller – I think you my dear friend, had the hardest job of all. Keeping Treetop in line and making sure he stood up when speaking. Thank you for stepping up to be our Sergeant at Arms, providing us with guidance when it came to questions as far as good ole Robert and his Rules of Order, always coming up with solutions to problems and new ways to help our organization stay afloat. You are truly one of FORR's rockstars.

Deanna Rhodes – Motorcycle Awareness Coordinator – Thank you for always going the extra mile for the safety of Missouri's motorcyclists. You have been a valued part of our organization and your efforts will never be forgotten. For me, you will always be "MAC"!

Layne Shady – Homecoming Rally Chairman – Thank you for putting your heart and soul into a Rally that the membership couldn't find in their hearts to back. All good things must come to an end, I just thank you for all the hard work you put into trying to keep that from happening. I hope that someday the membership understands that we are not an organization that puts on Rallies. We are a Motorcycle Rights Organization that attempts to make money by putting on motorcycle rallies. Without the support of this membership, we will not and cannot be successful.

Shelly Payne – Product Line – You are an amazing woman. Thank you (and Kevin) for continuing to be our Product Line Managers. You have had a rough year and even when you should have been concentrating on your health and taking care of yourself, you still managed to take care of us. I appreciate your hard work and creativity. You always try to come up with new things for us and I am sorry if we don't show you enough how much we appreciate you.

Valerie Taylor – FEW Seminar Chairman – First off we should just change your name to Wonder Woman! Thank you for stepping up and taking on the job as Chairman of the FEW. Not only that, but for being the crusader you are when it comes to keeping FORR in fresh new members. Rock on Sister, You my dear are amazing.

Dallas Chapman—Office Manager—Thank you for your many years of crunching numbers, answering phones and enlightening the new cabinet members who pass through every few years. I guess we could consider you the "Mother" of FORR in many ways. Your dedication to FORR is so very appreciated and I wish you the best in the coming year and hope you enjoy some time off in your semi retirement.

To my other cabinet members, Bill "Treetop" "Charlie" Duncan – Chairman, Cheryl Singleton – Secretary and Lynne Adkins – Treasurer, thank you for all your hard work and dedication. It was my pleasure to be a part of this cabinet with you. I don't feel that I personally held up my end of the bargain toward the end of our term and for that I am truly sorry. Now that our term is over and you ladies have chosen to carry on as a part of the new cabinet (THANK YOU), I can concentrate my efforts on trying to find new energy for our Local and spend more time with my husband trying to grow our business. I won't be to as many CC meeting in the future but I wish you all the best in 2016.

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#### Motorcycle Trivia Quiz Submitted by Cowboy Roy Local 33

- 1. The first motorcycle was created by?
  - a. Gottlieb Daimler in 1885
  - b. Thomas Edison in 1881
  - c. Michel Eugene Werner in 1897
  - d. Leonardo Davinci in 1503
- 2. What kind of motorcycle did Arnold Schwarzenegger ride in the movie Terminator 2?
  - a. Kawasaki Ninja
  - b. Honda Valkyrie
  - c. Harley Davidson Fat Boy
  - d. Ducati Monster
- 3. Honda's first true motorcycle was built in 1950. What was it called?
  - a. Helix
  - b. Elsinore
  - c. Monkey
  - d. Dream
- 4. What is the name of the motorcycle gang in the 1953 Film The Wild Ones starring Marlon Brando?
  - a. Black Rebels Motorcycle Club
  - b. The Polecats
  - c. Sage Valley Motorcycle Racers
  - d. The Rottwheelers
- 5. Who makes the Royal Star Venture?
  - a. Yamaha
  - b. Aprilia
  - c. Suzuki
  - d. Vespa
- 6. Gold Wing is associated with what brand name?
  - a. BMW
  - b. Honda
  - c. Moto Guzzi
  - d. Kawasaki
- 7. Which of these is not a type of motorcycle?
  - a. Bobber
  - b. Chopper
  - c. Dipper
  - d. Springer
- 8. What kind of motorcycle did both Ponch and Jon ride in the TV show CHiPs?
  - a. Kawasaki 1000P
  - b. Harley Davidson FLHPI Road King

- c. BMW R 1100 RT-P
- d. Harley Davidson Servi-Car
- 9. In the 1969 Easy Rider, the character played by Peter Fonda is called:
  - a. Bucky
  - b. Captain America
  - c. Ghost Rider
  - d. Billy
- 10. The famous T.E.Lawrence, "Lawrence of Arabia" was killed in 1935 while riding what make of motorcycle?
  - a. BSA
  - b. Brough Superior
  - c. Norton
  - d. James
- 11. What movie star did most of his own motorcycle stunts in the movie The Great Escape?
  - a. James Garner
  - b. Steve McQueen
  - c. James Coburn
  - d. Lee Marvin
- 12. Jawa motorcycles are made in what country?
  - a. Czechoslovakia
  - b. France
  - c. Spain
  - d. Switzerland
- 13. In 2003 what did Harley Davidson celebrate?
  - a. Launch of new logo
  - b. Willie G. Davidson's 65th birthday
  - c. 100th Anniversary of the company
  - d. The first Dyna Wide Glide
- 14. What band released the biker anthem, Born to be Wild in 1968?
  - a. Cream
  - b. Credence Clearwater Revival
  - c. Steppenwolf
  - d. The Who
- 15. What is the name of London's famous classic biker hangout?
  - a. The Ace Cafe
  - b. The Kick Stand
  - c. The Iron Horse Saloon
  - d. The Holiday House

1 - a; 2 - c; 3 - d; 4 - a; 5 - a; 6 - b; 7 - c; 8 - a; 9 - b; 10 b; 11 - b; 12 - a; 13 - c; 14 - c; 15 - a

# Everybody is Irish on February 17th!

#### LOCAL 1 - WEST CENTRAL MISSOURI

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 2 p.m.

VFW Post 5765, 9642 Old Hwy 40, Odessa 64076

Contact: Rebel 816-850-4511

https://www.facebook.com/groups/382590848464563/

Howdy all!

Hope everyone is doing well, and staying warm. Lately this is very hard to do.

Our last meeting went very well. We had a huge group from Local 14 came to 'get our flag'. They got it alright..... We picked theirs up at their Christmas party/auction. That was a good night, still can't believe we got out of there for under a hundred bucks!

Also at the meeting we met a new couple, John & Jean - very glad you came. Still getting ideas for another meeting at Harley & Heather's in Warsaw when the weather gets nicer - let us know what you think?

Hope everyone had a safe holiday season - and wishes for all a good and safe new year to come. We are heading into a new year of great things to come, I'm even already thinking about what's gonna be in the garden this spring.... I know, I know.

Anyway, want to do something check the pages of The Freedom Press for all of the 'stuff' going on.

Well that's all for now so as I always say.... Have a good one then have another!

See Ya, Michelle "Rebel' O'Connor #7156





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Oxline Road 1pm - 5pm

Dirt Road Addiction 6pm - 11pm



Sign up 9:00 AM to 12:00PM Bike show 1:00PM to 8:30PM Party Until 11:00PM

#### LOCAL 3 - TRUMAN LAKE

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 1:30 p.m. VFW Post 4197, Rt Tt, Osceola, MO

Contact: President: Casey Singleton 660-924-1693 or

Vice-President: Gary Snyder 417-644-2789

https://www.facebook.com/groups/602232219915755/

Greetings L-3,

We had our elections at our December meeting. All our officers remained the same.

President: Casey Singleton V.P.: Gary Snyder Treasurer: Myra Burrow Secretary: Paula Sumerall

Appointed positions are as follows. C.C. Rep.-Dean Singleton, Road Captain: Ray Burns, Sgt. At Arms: Derek Snyder and Harold Hoff. Historian: Paula Sumerall, Safety: Cody Singleton, Membership: Dean Singleton. Thanks to everyone who stepped up for a position.

Next we want to give thanks to Rebel for hooking us up with the Appleton City Fire Department, who donated 70 plus bicycles and 10 tricycles and tons of extra parts for our kid's day. Remember our bike work day is May 14 at Casey's house. Last year we had 50 bicycles to giveaway. This year we could probably have a 100, but the thought is to stick with 50 and make them top notch.

Our New Year's Day ride was a big success. We met at members Luke and Christy's car wash in Osceola. Then we rode to the Roadhouse in Warsaw. Where we met up with members from L-35 and exchanged Flags, our first of the New Year. L-3 was well represented with 9 bikes with 13 riders, along with 7 members in cages, plus 2 quests. A cold ride, but what a good time.

By the time you read we will have had our meeting and our after Christmas party. I'm sure we had a good time. If you're a member and you missed any of these good times. COME ON MAN!!!!! Around this bunch it's easy to have fun.

As we look around this local and the locals from all across the state there are a large percentage of members who are veterans. For this we are thankful.

Dean #29076



#### LOCAL 5 - SOUTH KANSAS CITY

Meetings: 3rd Saturday @ 2 p.m.

VFW Post 1829 at 5904 Crystal in KCMO.

Contact: 816-942-7507 or the VFW Post 816-921-2222 https://www.facebook.com/groups/197130813664644/

Happy New Year!

This is being written at nearly the last minute before deadline so it will be short and to the point.

The kid's Christmas party was a success and fun was had by all. Thanks to all of the volunteers that were there to help with the party and those that donated any time or money to the kids. And a big "THANK YOU!" to Rebecca for all of her hard work for the kids. Local 5 had their Christmas party after the meeting in December. We joined the V. F. W. Post 1829 for a Christmas Party there.

The FEW Seminar was held January 9th. I am sure everyone had a great time; it is only January 5th tonight so I don't know what went on. But, I can't wait to hear the scoop. The District 4 Crock Pot Cook-Off is January 23rd and will be held at VFW Post 5675, 9642 Old Highway 40, Odessa, MO 64076. It starts at 6:00 pm but if you want to get there early, I am sure your help would be appreciated.

District will be choosing a day in February or March for us to go to the Capitol as a group. Start thinking about whether you will join the group and get some carpooling plans made. It will most likely be on a Tuesday or Wednesday but the actual date has not been decided.

It looks like winter is settling in so bundle up and join the rest of us dreaming of warmer days ahead.

Stay cool! Spitfire

#### LOCAL 6 - ST. JOSEPH

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 12:30 p.m. VFW #1668, 821 N 4th St., St. Joseph Dan Harmon 816-387-1095

Howdy Folks,

We hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and New Year! 2016 is going to be great!

There was a small get together with food and music before Christmas. Everyone had a good time with Miss Emma winning Limbo. Haha.

Weather has been crazy this year so far, but on my way home from work today, I saw a Victory motorcycle. It was 40 degrees out. Brrrrrrr.

Great time to get your leathers cleaned up and ready for spring. We hope everyone in the flood zone made it OK.

Ride Safe. Ride Free.

Beth

#### LOCAL 7 - LEBANON

Meetings: 1st Sunday @ 4 p.m.

Ollie's, 12940 Hwy 64, Lebanon, MO 65536

Contact: Robert 417-426-5627

https://www.facebook.com/groups/201753790024390/

In December WE HAD OUR ELECTIONS. IT MORE OR LESS STAYED THE SAME EXCEPT FOR, BUBBA IS NOW OUR VICE PRESIDENT. AND I (BUCK) IS THE NEWSLETTER WRITER AND WEBMASTER. RAYMOND SLOAN RE-UPPED HIS MEMBERSHIP. WEAR HAVING A LEATHER AND LACE DANCE, IT WILL BE HELD AT THEELKS LODGE IN LEBANON FEB. 6, 2016 FROM 6 P.M. TO MIDNIGHT WE WILL BE HAVING A POT LUCK DINNER, BRING A COVERED DISH AND GET \$2.00 OFF ADMISSION... want to give a big thank you to CA UDER AND FORTAWESOME POWER SPORTS FOR GETTING SOME DOOR PRIZES FOR THE DANCE WE WILL POST FLYERS AS SOON

AS WE CAN. BUCKS BIKE IS STILL BROKE BUT HOPEFULLY WILL BE FIXED BY THE TIME YOU READ THIS. ROBERT YOUNG'S BIKE IS BACK IN THE SHOP FOR A LITTLE TLC...I WANT TO SAY A LATE HAPPY DAYTO ROBERT YOUNG. HOPE EVERYONE CAN ENJOY THE PRETTY WEATHER AND GET THE MUCH NEEDED WIND THERAPY. **BUCK** 

#### LOCAL 8 - CHILLICOTHE

Meetings: 1st Sunday @ Noon. Carry-in Dinner, 1 p.m.

(Call for info - location varies)

Contact: 660-646-4197 or 660-646-8905

https://www.facebook.com/FORRLOCAL8?fref=ts

Hello Local 8!!! Hope everyone had a great New Years!! Now that the hustle of all the holidays are over, its a good time to check over your bike. Riding time will be here sooner then we think.

Local 8 would like to welcome our new state cabinet!! Thank you for all the hard work ahead!! We would like to thank last years state cabinet and all local officers for a great year and all your dedication to keep the Freedom train rolling!!!

Welcome to the officers this year and thank you!! New crew of Local 8 is--- President-- Gary Bears, Vice President-- Glenda Ely, Secretary--Misty Shady, Treasurer-- Glenda Ely, CC Rep-- Layne Shady, Alt.--Jeromy Romesburg, Leg. Rep--Layne Shady, Alt.-- Jeromy Romesburg, Dist. Rep-- Meredith Alexander, Alt.-- Lorie Brown, Product Line-- Misty Shady, Sgt.. Arms-- Ronnie King, Jeff Clemens, Michelle King, Misty Shady, Road Capts .-- Ted Tedrick, Jason Howard.

If your tired of being in the house, make sure you check the website of upcoming events! Local 19 always has a great time and we will be doing having Cabin Fever soon! Always something to do all over the

state. Get out enjoy your FORR family, meet new people and capture vour flag while your there!

By the time you read this the FEW will be over. Hope all enjoyed and learned something new! It's a new year so challenge yourself to make a meeting, come to an event, visit Jeff City, let your voice be heard and show others what we do, sign that new member!!

Until next time--

Magoo!!!

#### Local 10 - Jefferson City

Meetings: 3rd Thursday @ 7 pm

Twin Bridges Bar & Grill, 3 Miles South of Jefferson City

on Hwv 54 & Junction CC

Contact: Carl Hammond 573-291-0159

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#### Local 11 - Southwest Missouri

Meetings: 4th Sunday @ 3 p.m.

Fraternal Order of Eagles, 1321 S Main, NW Door

Contact: Sparky@(417)439-5908 or Lizzy@(417)439-0399

https://www.facebook.com/groups/375042675119/

Hello FORR family,

Let me start by introducing myself, my name is Ginger Keller. I've been elected editor for 2016. I'm new to the group and I'm very excited to step forward to the job for my local.

With that being said we have a New Facebook page under construction. We also have many events already on our 2016 calender. In April we have Awareness Event weekend 22th-24th. We will be working on fresh new ideas for safety and awareness. We have confirmed the dates for our local 11 Rally June 3rd-5th. We have been in discussion on the charity we want to sponsor for our Masquerade Ball this fall.

At our last meeting we discussed having 2 toy runs for the same charity just expanding into a different town. Finally we talked about doing maybe 2 fun runs this summer one being geo caching with another local and going on a trip to Petit Jean State Park in August which is located in the Arkansas Mts. There are cabins and campgrounds available and we welcome you to join us on this ride.

Stay tuned for more exciting news from Local 11.

Thank you, Ginger

Local 12 - Glasgow

Meetings: First Sunday @ 1 p.m. Jan. 3rd - Laura & Johnny house.

Contact: Donna (660) 815-0079 or Butch (660) 631-0803 https://www.facebook.com/groups/463789827071828/

#### LOCAL 13 - MEXICO

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 3 p.m.

For further information about meetings or membership call President Raymond Pather 573-864-3575 or Secretary Melissa Palmer 573-554-4575 or email mapalmer2@ cougars.ccis.edu

https://www.facebook.com/groups/FORRLocal13/

Happy New Year from Local 13,

I hope the new year finds everyone doing well. We had a great turnout at our annual Christmas Party/December meeting. There was lots of food and lots of laughter during our white elephant gift exchange. I want to take this time to thank the 2015 officers for their time and dedication to this great organization: Raymond Palmer-President and Legislative Rep., Rock Palmer-Vice President and Sergeant at Arms, Terry "Bubba" Archer-Secretary, Kassy Polston-Treasurer, Bill Weldon-Safety and Chaplain, Halfbreed-CC Rep, and Kim "Stampede" Archer-Events Coordinator. Special thanks to Doug Clawson for his many years of dedication as our Rider Education Coordinator for FORR.

New officers were voted in during our December meeting and are as follows: Raymond Palmer-President, Rock Palmer-Vice President, Melissa Palmer-Secretary, Michelle Scheiderer-Treasurer, Terry "Bubba" Archer-Sergeant at Arms, Bill Weldon-Safety and Chaplain, Justin "Grinny" Calvert-Legislative Rep., Larry Carson-CC Rep., and Kim "Stampede" Archer-Events Coordinator.

I want to remind everyone that our winter meetings will continue to be held at the Audrain County Courthouse at 101 North Jefferson, Suite 204 (in basement), Mexico, MO, 65265. Hope to see you all there.

Melissa Palmer Secretary L-13 Mexico, MO 65265 1-573-554-4575

#### LOCAL 14 - INDEPENDENCE

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 2 p.m.

VFW Post 3976 on Kentucky Rd. in Sugar Creek, Mo.

**Contact: Joe Widmer 816-709-3618** 

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#### Local 15 - Branson

Meetings: 3rd Monday @ 7 p.m.

Charlie's Steak & Ale, 3009 W Hwy 76, Branson

Contact: 417-334-0291

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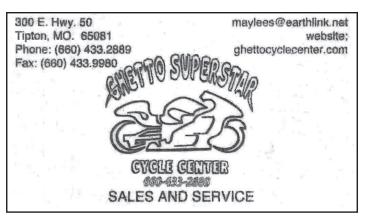
2016 Started off strong with Local 15's New Year's Day Chill Out ride. We had over 30 bikes, and a few cages. Our host's at "Couley's Bar and Steakhouse" in Branson did a great job! The weather cooperated and the food was great! Thanks again to Local 15's "Re-elected" Louise "LOU" Jungbauer for all that you do to make our events a great success; it shows! Following the New Year's ride was the annual FORR - FEW seminar. If you haven't been to a FEW seminar, you should go. They are meant to educate newer members and keep our longer serving members informed of the changing times, the changing laws and the changing ways of the getting our message out. We must all adapt to these changes in order to continue this mission as a united front. This year Local 15's Anna Kabler was on the organizing committee; as a local we thank her for her time and commitment.

If you don't have time to come to the meetings every month; don't forget to check your state and local newsletter, and Local 15's Facebook page for updated ride information and last minute changes. Make sure we have your email too!! We would love to have larger rides together. All too often we find ourselves with a free moment ...so we sit down at the table with a cold one and open up the newsletter to catch up. STOP!!!! Get on the phone and CALL YOU REPS!! This could be done while you are reading? Your reps' phone number is in the same book. We can run awareness campaigns and lobby until the end of time but if we don't vocalize it and use our "God Given Loud Pipes" it may take longer to get that message across. So let's all pick up the phone at least one time this year, every one of us. Just make it one of your resolutions and make a note of it. "Post its" are cheap.

January 30th, 2016 The Midwest Drifters will be hosting the Annual Groundhog Bash at the club house.

February 3rd, 2016 Local 15's monthly B.S. meeting will be held but the location will be posted on FB and emailed out to those on the list. (Again...contact Melinda if you are not on the email list!)

February 6th is Local 30's Annual Leather and Lace event in Springfield, MO. his event has brought together bikers both single and in couples for many, many years. We look forward to a record turnout this year!



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\*\*February 9th is our first of the Capitol Days of 2016. BEING PRESENT IS THE MOST IMPORTANT THING YOU WILL DO ALL YEAR. This trip is for every person that has been a member is currently a member or wants to be a member. Please put this day on your calendar! Call Duane Harrison for details on the traveling arrangements.

February 15th, 2016 Local 15's monthly business meeting will be held at Charlie's Steak House and Grill on Hwy 76 (the Branson Strip) at 7:00 p.m. You may contact any officer for directions and updates.

Again and always with Love and Respect, Kim "Ziggy" Wise

#### LOCAL 16-SEMO

Meetings: (Call for meeting info)

Contact: Whitey 573-768-2524 or Martin 573-576-6662

Email - forrlocal16@gmail.com

https://www.facebook.com/pages/FORR-Local-

16/196506447044237?fref=ts

First we send our gratitude to Bill of Bill's Place for hosting our January meeting. This is our traditional "election" location although at the time of this writing I do not have the results of who does what yet. Look for that information in next month's entry.

Local 16 lost a dear friend on January 4, 2016. Hope and Mayzie were on their way to support the Meadow Heights boys' basketball team when a deer stepped in front of their car. We lost Hope and Mayzie will have a long road to recovery. We send our deepest sympathies to family and friends. Please continue to pray for Mayzie's full recovery. Her strength should be a lesson to us all. What an amazing young lady!

For information on the location of the February meeting, call Whitey. Peace to all of Local 16 and our extended family. Melanie

#### LOCAL 19-KIRKSVILLE

Meetings: First Saturday @ 6 pm

Meeting Location Varies Contact: 660-342-5323

https://www.facebook.com/groups/203378816472124/

Hello again everyone, hope you all had pleasant holiday memories made to remember. It's always nice to get together with family and friends to eat and be merry.

Not much to talk about this month except for the auction which is January 16 so I hope everyone will be there to enjoy the band and auction. I want to thank everyone who took part in getting it all together and making it a success again this year. Joni James you were a success again with all your beautiful quilts. Also if you took the time to make a



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crafty little donation for the auction you rock!!! It takes a lot of time and effort to run all over and ask for donations so being involved by making something helps and gives the few members who run all over a break. Next year lets double what we did this year.

Next up is the FEW seminar which was held on January 9 in Jefferson City, thank you all who participated I hope everyone learned more about there responsibility as a cabinet member and can continue the good work.

If you were one of the lucky ones to get to ride on new years day you rock! Thank you Steve and Susie for the chili get together since pretty much all of us were snow and iced in our driveways and weren't about to ride over them. Some couldn't even get off the couch and go eat chili....Sorry about that. Pray for early spring and go ride when you can.

For this coming year we would like to plan on some fun events if you have any ideas feel free to drop us those ideas by and we'll see if we can get it done. Lets get out there and let our community know we are here to make everyone aware of motorcycle safety.

Welcome new members and officers this year hope 2016 is our year to shine!!!

Till next time.....Stay warm and upright......Corena





## THE KICKSTAND MEMORIAL POOL TOURNAMENT



FEBRUARY 27TH 2016

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#### LOCAL 20 - DEXTER

Meetings: Last Sunday @ 1 p.m.

Eagles Club on Hwy 25

Contact: Mona Morgan 573-429-3012

https://www.facebook.com/groups/189905384430744/

Hello 2016

Did your New Year come in with a bang? I stayed home safe and sound watching the ball drop in New York.

Happy Birthday and Anniversary to those that have celebrated or will be celebrating in January and February.

It is time once again to turn our thoughts to heart shaped boxes and roses wow time is really flying by. I hope that this will be a year of healing for our Nation and for damaged relationships to be healed between families and friends. I also look forward to seeing our Local and the organization have a growing spurt. In order for that to happen we must all pull together and take every opportunity to talk about Freedom of Road Riders and what the benefits are as a member.

Local 20 will be at the capital this year on April 12 and I believe Local 22 is planning to join us on that date That is going to be a good experience for Local 20 as we haven't had visits to the capital other than the May Rally last year and we are thrilled to have the experience with us through Valerie Taylor and BL McDonald to show us the ropes.

Events are in the planning but not enough information to share yet other than the Memorial Run for our brother Darrell Swinger. This run will take place on Saturday May 21, 2016 one of his favorite places was Lake Wappapello so the run will be around the lake. There will be a ceremonial burning of his cutoff and leather with those ashes being added to his. His bike will be the lead in the run and as we ride his ashes will be released into the wind per his final wishes. Patches will be available the day of the run not sure about cost yet. A flyer will be made in time to be posted in the Freedom Press so that those that wish to attend will have the information. I don't have a bike but really want to ride in this final farewell so if anyone has an empty seat and it won't cause problems I would be extremely grateful.

I am pushing the deadline again this month so that is it for now and as always.......

Until next time.....Keep it Between the lines Mona (Motor Mouth) Morgan L 20

#### LOCAL 21 - ELDON

Meetings: 3rd Saturday @ 1 p.m.

Whittles Pub & Grill, 108 S Maple St, Eldon, MO

Contact: Dan @ 573-941-8989

What's that I smell??? Hope it's spring!!!

Don't forget the March meeting' is gonna be a bigun, and thanks for all them renewals!

Yee Haw!!!!

Dan

#### Local 22 - South Central

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 1 p.m. Senior Center, West Plains

Contact: BL McDonnell 573-301-7139 or Valerie 573-291-

1465

https://www.facebook.com/groups/ FreedomofRoadRidersSouthCentralLocal22/

Hello Brothers and Sisters from South Central Local 22,

Here we are in February already and a lot of people are suffering from PMS (Parked Motorcycle Syndrome) but Freedom fighters there

is a lot going on at the Capital and in order to be more effective we can and should start writing our State Representatives and Senators about what near and dear to all of hearts, Freedom.

Yes, once again we are faced with trying to get the Helmet Modification bill through to the Governor's desk and signed. Last year we had a presence at the Capitol every week and it was recognized, we hope to do the same this year. Bill Kempker has asked that all Locals pick a week or two to be at the Capital during session. Our Local is teaming up with Local's 20 and 30 this year. As they are our closest sister Local's we plan on carpooling and hitting the halls together. Freedom of Road Riders is also going after stiffer penalties for the Failure to Yield the Right a Way. this not only affects motorcyclist but everyone on our roadways. It seems like it should be a easy sell to our officials but for some reason it keeps getting thrown back, let's make it stick this year. Together we can and will make a difference if we stand united and make the calls as well as write the letters and hit the hall's of our Capital. Without effort from each member the consensus is that we truly do not care about these Freedom's. These two bill are very different but they do affect our everyday lives not to mention our lifestyles. People should not walk a way saying I didn't see him or her after a loss of life with a 500. dollar fine it simply isn't justice. As for the Helmet Modification Bill, we are responsible adults we should be treated as such and given the right to decide if we choose to wear a helmet or not, plain and simple.

As you can tell there is a lot to do as a group and I believe in us all of us. The Mike Sloan Run has been set for May 10th, this is plenty of time to plan on being at this event. It will be our kickoff to Motorcycle Awareness month. We hope that everyone who can attend does just that.

South Central Local 22 would like to welcome Beth Hunt, Phyllis Dye, and John Paden we are so honored that you choose to be a part of this wonderful Organization as well as our Local. We look forward to sharing time with you and thank you for your support.

Until Next time Live Life to the Fullest and Be FORRever Free, Valerie "Windy" Taylor

Local 22 Secretary and State Membership Coordinator

#### LOCAL 24 - ST. LOUIS

Meetings: 2nd Tuesday @ 7 p.m.

VFW Post 4105, 410 Rue St Francois, Florissant, MO 63031

Contact: Ken Lewis 314-546-1624

https://www.facebook.com/groups/225526100855350/

#### Local 25 - St. Peters

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 1 pm

KT's Bar & Grill, 407 Sonderen St, Ofallon, MO

Contact: Jay Flagg 636-544-9513 or Ken Wilmes 636-

293-5998

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As I sit here writing this, it gives me a moment to reflect 2015. This year started off royally sucking with a total of 12 deaths of some brothers and sisters and fathers and mothers to us all in just the first three months. It was a very sad beginning.

As the year went on things started leveling out and most of us got our bearings together to move forward. We had some great events and met some new people. Although we may have done some fighting amongst ourselves, I believe we have risen to much stronger levels.

By the time you are reading this, We will have already had our Jan. 1 Freeze out Social. As I age I think to my self. "Brrr, friggan cold." But I will still pull up my boot straps and run with the pack.

Just a few dates to remember for 2016:

June 18th: Bear Run

Oct. 15th Leaves in the Breeze

Nov. 6th Toy Run

Dec. 10th Christmas Party.

We also have many things cooking . Stay tuned. I would personally like to meet more members from other locals. I am looking forward to big things happening in 2016.

Love, Peace and Gods Blessings to all for the upcoming New Year.

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Happy 2016 to all! The new year started on a crazy note for a lot of us who were affected by historic flooding that will probably become the benchmark for future such events. Unlike the flood of '93 which was caused by flooding at the confluence of the Missouri/Mississippi rivers, this time it was the Meramac River and other smaller tributaries such as Dardenne Creek and Crooked Creek in St. Charles County that caused the problems.

We were still able to hold our annual Freeze-Out (or not) Social on January 1st which started out from Hobo's in Old Town St. Peters. We had quite a respectable showing of riders who braved the chill to attend. Others, (like me) caged our way there and that's just fine. Actually, my girlfriend and local secretary Sharee wouldn't allow me to ride because I was battling an upper respiratory thing which surely would have put me in the ER had I rode in. Our own Rick Runyan took home the plaque for 'Furtherest' Distance Traveled by braving it out for 64.2 miles just to attend the event, wow! With the temperature at 35 degrees at starting time Rick had the opportunity of taking the group in any direction up to 35 miles but instead he took us to KT's which is our meeting place in O'fallon. We called ahead to have the coffee brewing and Local 25 member and KT's manager Melissa had to send someone out to purchase a coffee maker. We can't say enough about the top-shelf treatment we have received from Kevin and Melissa.

Keeping things positive, our Safety Officer Susan Lockhart reported that according to MoDot, motorcycle accidents are down 33.8%. THAT'S HUGE! Missouri Motorcycle accident breakdown by percentage include:

58% Operator Error

13% Curve failure

11% Animal

9% Failure to Yield

6% Other Vehicle

3% Mechanical

1% Medical

Those numbers indicate that we become our own undoing a whopping 71% of the time when taking operator error and curve failure into consideration and possibly up to 75% of the time depending on the circumstances of the mechanical failures and medical issues. Let's all do what we can to stop killing ourselves and reduce those numbers for 2016. By the time you read this the FEW Seminar will be over. Sharee and I will be attending and will have lots of good information to share in February. Many of us are still finding time to ride in the winter. The term 'winterize' is foreign to us. Point is, BE CAREFUL! Don't become one of the statistics mentioned above, especially the 71-75%. As invisible as we are during the riding season, we become practically non existent during the winter months. No one thinks we are out there.

Have a great year and do something nice for someone!



#### Local 26 - Maryville

Meetings: 3rd Tuesday @ 6 p.m.

BreakTime @ 1517 E 1st St, Maryville, MO

Contact: Kathy Rice 660-582-1742

https://www.facebook.com/pages/Local-26-Freedom-of-

Road-Riders/210883762255451?fref=ts

#### LOCAL 27 - SAC-OSAGE

Meetings: Call for information

Contact:: Pres. Olin Meadors 417-399-0398; Vice-President. Carl Stinley 417-298-0172; CC Rep Bill Thornhill 417-955-0941

https://www.facebook.com/Local27FORR?fref=nf

Not a lot has be going on here with Local 27, Mother nature can't seem to make up her mind on the weather. As we start a new year here we would like to congratulate our new officers some old faces, some new faces, and some familiar faces.....Officers for 2016 will be:

President Olin Meadors

Vice President Carl Stinley

Secretary LeAnn Taylor

Treasurer Olin Meadors

CC Rep Bill Thornhill

We wish each and every local the best in the new year. Lets not forget what we are here to do. With great leaders great things can happen. Always Remember its not the destination its the ride getting there Keep it safe! Secretary Local

LeAnn Taylor

#### LOCAL 28 - WAYNESVILLE

Meetings: 1st Friday @ 7 p.m. Pulaski Shriners Club. Contact: President Shena Flick 573-433-5122, Vice President Eric Johnson 573-336-7679, Shrine Club 573-774-545

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#### Local 29 - North Kansas City

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 1 p.m.

Alamo Restaurant, 5010 NE Parvin Rd, KCMO Contact: Paul McCormack 816-505-0526 or

Bob Neal 816-809-7184

Facebook: FORR Local 29 - https://www.facebook.com/

groups/106652842710031/

Local 29 had a great holiday meeting today. Fourteen members attended. We enjoyed a delicious meal that was paid for by the local. We started out with some short officer reports. From there we went into one last round of officer nominations and election. Sheila Neal won our attendance incentive. After the election we adjourned and enjoyed our Christmas party. Here are pictures of our celebration. Congratulations to our officers for 2016. They are:

President Janet Williams,
Vice President Paul McCormack
Recording Secretary Donna Duyck
Treasurer Bob Neal
Social Secretary Donna Duyck
CC Rep Jim & Donna Duyck
Legislative Rep Jim & Donna Duyck
District 4 Rep Jim Duyck
MAFR Representatives Steve Williams & Jim Duyck
MAFR Alternate Reps Janet Williams & Donna Duyck
Membership Secretary Donna Duyck
Safety Officer Steve Williams
Product Line Paul & Shirley McCormack
Newsletter Editor Jeff Winkler
Historian Bob Neal

Sergeant-At-Arms Tony Porter." Respectfully,

Jeff

#### LOCAL 30 - SPRINGFIELD/NIXA

Meetings: 3rd Thursday @ 7 p.m. Logan's Roadhouse, Battlefield Rd

Chaplain Chris Keune

Contact: Mark 417-887-2923

https://www.facebook.com/groups/373004336052023/

Hello everyone in FORR land! Leather and Lace is scheduled for Saturday February 6 at the American Legion Post 676 on West Sunshine at 7 PM and it is going to be AWESOME. The silent auction returns this year! Bring along all your old friends and a couple of new ones too! Let's make the 28th version of this event the best yet! See the Flyer in this issue or contact me at the number below for more info. If you need a suggestion for lodging, check out the Quality Inn & Suites Chesterfield Village. I've been told it is a great motorcycle friendly hotel with great rates. Contact them @ (417) 888-0898 or search them out on the Google box. Hope to see you at L&L and at the meeting on Feb. 18th Big Jim Scheele (417) 234-6215

#### Local 31 - Rolla

Meetings: 2nd Thursday, 7 pm Sputs Place, Hwy 63, Vichy, MO Contacts: Debra John 573-647-0129

#### Local 33 - Hwy. 50 West

Meetings: 3rd Sunday, 1 p.m.

AM Vets on Hwy. 50, Just East of Knob Noster. President - JR DeGraffenreid 816-716-4350;

Editor Ed Carper, 660-441-3403

https://www.facebook.com/FORRLocal33?fref=ts

Here at local 33, things have calmed down as the year winds to an end. We have a new cabinet for 2016, as we usually do at the beginning of every year, and hopefully it will be your turn next year. J.R. is still the Pres. and has a few new ideas for 2016, as well as, our new Vice Pres. Pat Green, who brings a lot of experience to the local from local 35 and his experience with the Freedom Rally. I believe it's going to be a good year if the green people from Saturn don't invade or the Russians don't attack. However, at this point in our social economic climate it might be a blessing.

Most of us have tucked our bikes away for a long winters nap and yet some of us will ride as long as the streets are dry. But this time of year is the absolute perfect time to get that bike to your favorite shop or dealer and get that much needed work done you've been putting off. Good idea to change brake fluid with new juice, check on tires, brake pads, or what ever you need you can't do yourself. Also, by having your bike made ready for spring you'll show your support for your dealer or shop during their lean months. So in all, take advantage of the cold weather and get that bike ready for spring.

As you have seen, January was a big fat do nothing month but eat Christmas left overs and finish off the liquor from News Years. We had our local meeting in January where we discussed the years events and what our plans will be to make money and have fun. The Freedom Rally is moving along as planned and Pat and Allen's quilt project is also in the organizing stage, but moving in the right direction. This project should raise a few dollars.

On a sad note, one of our best friends and a member of local 33 decided to try his hand at stunt riding by wrapping himself around a tree



during a motocross event. Now, it is best that you let people know your going to do the stunt before you pull it off, because in this case, no one saw the stunt, so he lade on the back field for a while before anyone realized he wasn't going around the track anymore. Some stunt. Well, if you haven't heard Larry Yeager has had a very serious bike accident during a motocross event down by Springfield MO. He hit a tree causing extensive damage by skinning off its bark and gouging the wood. The forestry department is upset as well as the "Spirit of Trees Organization". Oh ya, Larry was hurt bad too. Broken scapula, collar bone, hip and I'm sure a few ribs too, but has not been reported to me yet. But all joking aside lets pray that Larry gets better soon and the tree too. We have sent flowers and well wishes to him and his family. Get better Larry, we need you up and around but don't rush it we can wait. Take it slow. Events for February

Moose Chili Cook off Pool Tournament, February 27th at 5:00 PM Grannie has been feeling sluggish and weak lately so her boyfriend took her to the doctor. The result was not so good. First she was told to quit drinking, no sex and no excitement. She has done her best, but now the Doctor has prescribed a heart transplant and has put Grannie on the donor/recipient list. She has been called four times now for a heart that was a perfect match, but she turned them down. Her boyfriend asked why she kept turning them down. Grannie replied; I'm waiting for a lawyers heart. Why a lawyers heart, asked her boyfriend. I want one that's never been used. Good choice Grannie. The Editor

#### Local 35 - Golden Valley

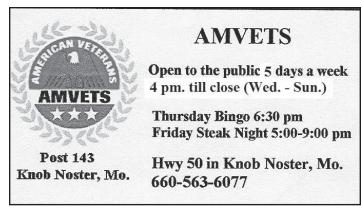
Meetings: 4th Sunday @ 2 p.m.

VFW, 510 W Allen St, Clinton, MO 64735

Contact: President- David Nelson (660) 678-2034 https://www.facebook.com/groups/1043516439034654/



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December and January have been good for Local 35 as we have signed up 5 new members. A big Local 35 welcome goes out to Cody Nelson, Lori Moreland, Cliff Moreland, Sarah Gray and Alex Hopkins.

If we have our normal weather we will be getting in some riding time soon, boy do I need it.

February 27th will be our Chilli/Soup Dinner as a fund raiser for the Veterans Home. Watch for Flyer and come eat some great Chilli and Soup with Local 35.

Congress will soon be back in session and we already have Bills filed to get to work on. Let's hope things go better for us this year and we get our two main Bills passed into law.

For the one's that didn't make it to our Christmas Dinner you sure missed some great food. Then to continue our tradition we met in Warsaw on New Year's day and low and behold we were joined by Local 3 from Osceola. As it was an event for both locals we exchanged flags to get the year started of right.

Till we ride Free; Bob # 5960LM

#### LOCAL 41 - CAMERON CROSSROADS

Meetings: Dino's Diner, 1st Thursday @ 7 pm Contact: Steve Gallus 816-449-5037 or 2707 or Mike Sims 660-425-8340

https://www.facebook.com/groups/1043516439034654/

As Minnie Pearl would say" HOWDY!" Well another year has come and gone, hope you got everything you wanted to do done. If not you will have another year again to try and get it done. Now as I print this out that Minnie Pearl thing might give away my age. But you know that right now I feel pretty damn old! Will have had some surgery to have my hip replaced January 20th. Lets pray that everything went well. Hope that everyone had a good Holiday Season. I am hoping that by the time that riding season is here that this hip is ready to go also. I wrote about myself because nobody sent me any thing to write about . So if you have any news give me a call 816-449-5037 or 2707 or better yet show up at our local meeting a Dino's in Cameron 7 pm first Thursday of the month. Good food if you get there early to eat and good company to talk too. Now as the legislative season begins we have been asked to visit the Capital on our Capital days. Call me so we can go. We as a local need to see if we can increase our membership. There is an incentive plan in effect that if you sign up enough new or an old member, you could get a hat. Read about it in the Freedom Press. Things that are going to be planned is the Anniversary party for the local. There is some talk about a district event or a district 1 and 2 event. I know it is cold outside but what is wrong with dreaming. But one of these days it will be just right to ride. I think it is time to stop typing and get back to work. So till next month ride safe, if able, and free. Steve G. the VP



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#### **Local 42 - Franklin County**

Meetings: Last Sunday @ 2 p.m.

Pacific Eagle Small Meeting Room in Pacific, MO Contact: President - Kenny Williams 314-221-7164; Vice-President Kevin King 636-236-6601

https://www.facebook.com/groups/118270741593141/

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Merry Christmas Local 42

Hope you all had a good one. It's that time of year again. All the deer hunters are braggin at dinner over their kill, kids screaming in the background, cuz cousin Joey has got a better present than him, Aunt Sally hittin the sauce pretty hard, just to get thru the night, turkey dinner was dry and all you got was a pair of socks. The dog pissed under the tree (before we handed out presents) and lost the car keys in the snow. Damn, bring on the New Year.

And speaking of the new year our calendars are available for five bucks. I am proud to say my bike made it in March's picture of the month. Go get you some.

Shout out to our newest member "Re-Run" who also is the one who smoked the pig at Grandma Kathy's "Thank You Party" for the organizers and helpers of Eli's Benefit & Run. That was a good time and thanks again.

Another reminder people: the FORR meeting moves to 2 pm in January. The FEW Seminar is on January 9th in Jeff City. The local will pay for officers to go. 9 am - it's an hour and half from Union.

We got FORR football jerseys too for about 20 bucks.

Leather and Lace is in March. I will get you some more info on that. April 19 is Lobby Day if I took correct notes on that, I will follow up.

Thanks to Dan Carbone for being Santa at the toy distribution, he didn't scare the kids that bad. He has earned a super doobee patch, as did a couple more people. Thank you. Crazy Great! Now them doctors

are gonna make you healthy and we all are with them.

We also held elections and we had a couple officer changes. This is how it looks now.

President - Kenny "Ditch" Williams Vice-President - Bill Lynn Sgt of Arms - Danny Carbone Safety Officer - Kiefer York

Events Coordinator - Danny Carbone

Legislative Officer - Tex

CC Rep - Tex

Road Captain - Tim Blue "aka Irish"

Secretary - Kay Carbone Treasurer - Gloria Weber Historian - Jim Kalter

See ya next time,

Tarzan

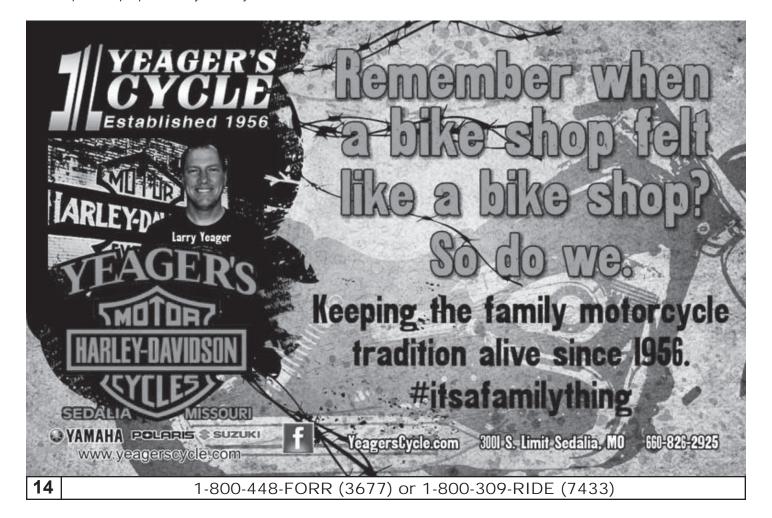
Hey Local 42, Happy New Year!

Man o'man what the hell happened at the end of December? Over 11 inches of rain in 3 days and boom we got freakin floods all over, can't escape it. Everyone I know was effected by water in one way or another. Records were shattered all over the area. I hope you all got your loved ones belonging to a safe location. This event will long be remembered and talked about.

I hope you remember the new time for the meeting, if you showed up at 3 pm you missed it, cuz we now meet at 2 pm.

These next couple months might be cold and snowy, but look to the bright side, Spring Poker Run and Leather and Lace are just around the corner. Go get you some.

And speaking of going and getting some, let's make an effort to stop in at the Roadhouse 100. LaDonna has been a part of FORR for a long



time, and we all should stop in on occasion and include her place on a ride or two.

We now have Veterans Service available thru the legislative portion. If interested we can get you facing the right way.

We had 17 people in attendance for the meeting. I know your Sundays are important but let's all try to show up anyway. Yours truly won the prize and that was picked by our good friend "Turtle". Thanks bro.

I would also like to say thanks to the 5 people who showed up for the trash bash, and to the people who didn't show up, what happened to ya? We can use a lot of help out there, it took forever. The more bodies we have the faster and better we can get it done. We are a team and together we accomplish great things.

We had a little shake up in our officer positions, and when we get it straightened out I will let you know, cuz I believe I had a list in last month's issue that needs to be revised.

Don't forget to be careful out there, a lot of the roads are in bad shape and have debris on them from the floods. It won't be long til we can ride again. Did I mention the Springer Poker Run is not far away and so is our biggest party of the year = Leather & Lace? We need volunteers and workers for that. I can't wait.

Be good Local 42, and always know we got each other's back. Til next time.

Tarzan

## LOCAL 47 - SOUTHERN PLATTE COUNTY

Meetings: 3rd Saturday, 11 am

Dirk's Bar & Grill, 8132 NW Prairie View Rd, KCMO 64151

(also known as Platte Woods area)

Contact: Russell 816-699-9309 or Jack 816-591-2497 https://www.facebook.com/groups/100791843447368/

I am proud to announce the 2016 Officer's for Local 47:

President – Jack Garrison Vice President – David Voigts Secretary/Treasurer/Membership Secretary – Diana Reinert Legislative Rep – Ronda Felts CC Rep – Lonnie Sands Road Captain/ Safety Officer – Bud Kilgore Newsletter Editor/Sgt at Arms – John Reinert Jim Hodges - Chaplain

Local 47 has been busy working on a plan of action for 2016. The December meeting/Christmas party was held at Russell and Ronda's house. The Felt's figured out that their house will accommodate about 13 people and after that, some motor oil might have to be applied. Everyone brought a side dish for Christmas Tacos. Dani Hodges was kind enough to head our white elephant gift exchange. Who knew that NOT opening a present could drive so many people crazy. Of course it didn't bother me because I knew what it was. After the crowd thinned out and people left to attend other events or finish Christmas shopping, Jack, Dave, Russell and Ronda continued to celebrate and toss ideas around for making Local 47 grow in 2016. Look out ya'll, there's some new blood within the Local, and they are a passionate bunch.

On a side note, John Reinert's father is in the hospital facing a pretty serious surgery. Please keep John and his family in your prayers. Also, one of our charter members and ex-News Letter Editor has been living with and taking care of her parents for the last 9 months or so. Nancy Martin tried so hard to keep up with what was going on in our Local via long distance so she could do the Newsletter. She has recently transferred to Local 3 which is closer to her parents place and we will miss her. Take care of her Local 3!

Ronda Felts

#### **DISTRICT 1**

Meetings: 2nd Thursday

Check with your local rep for location

#### **DISTRICT 4**

Meetings: 2nd Tuesday @ 7 pm

Bates City BBQ, 313 Market St, Bates City, MO 64011

Contact: 816-536-1647 or 816-728-6389



#### "ENGINEER OF FREEDOM" AWARD

How many FORR® members do you know the really exemplify the spirit of freedom? The member who has belonged for so many years, no one can keep track. The member who, when the call went out for a work session or a shift at an event, has always been there. The member, who has held every office in a Local and has been in one or the other as long as anyone can remember or the member who has jumped in there and helped to spark a Local to success, seemingly overnight. We all know these members, we see them every time there's a Local or CC meeting, or we go to an event and it's their smiling face that greets us and signs us in. And now there's a way to recognize those special members who have made up the heart and soul of Freedom of Road Riders®, the "Engineer of Freedom" Award.

- Q. Who may receive the "Engineer of Freedom" award?
- A. Any member in good standing of Freedom of Road Riders®.
- Q. How can a member be nominated for the "Engineer of Freedom" award?

A. Any member or Local may nominate a member for this award. Simply write a letter to the Central Committee Cabinet of FORR® outlining the contributions of the nominee to the cause of freedom and mail it or e-mail to the FORR Corporate Secretary, Cheryl Singleton, 5985 SE 1401 Rd, Weaubleau MO 65774-92058 or secretary@forr.net

Q. How are nominees selected as an "Engineer of Freedom"?

A. The FORR® CC Cabinet will review the nominations prior to each Central Committee meeting. Only the contributions of the nominee will be considered; the name will not be divulged to any officer besides the Corporate Secretary. The recipient(s) will be announced at the CC meeting following their selection. Nominations for those who are not selected will be reviewed again at the next meeting.

Q. What does the recipient get for being selected as an "Engineer of Freedom"?

A. Recipients will receive a red, white and blue "Engineer of Freedom" patch (which will be one of the rarest patches around FORR®) and their names will be listed on the roll of "Engineers" maintained by the Central Committee and published in the Freedom Press.

Engineers will serve FORR® by passing on an example of the dedication that has led FORR® to the triumphs of the last 30 years. We owe it to those members (you know who they are!) who have helped to make this the biggest and best motorcyclist rights organization in Missouri, and one of the most successful in the nation. So, think about the special people that YOU know, and let's start nominating those "Engineers" who have helped to drive this Freedom Train.

## FREEDOM OF ROAD RIDERS® MEMBERSHIP RECRUITMENT INCENTIVE

(January 1st - December 31st each year)

The following incentive system was established May 15, 1994:

When you have recruited 10 new members you receive A special FORR® ball cap

Five (5) more new members (15 total) earns you: A 1 yr membership renewal & supporter patch
Ten (10) more new members (25 total) earns you: 1 free admission to the annual FEW Seminar

Twenty-five (25) more new members (50 total) earns you: 1 more free admission to the annual FEW Seminar & motel room paid

For a total of 100 new members recruited you earn: A leather jack or gift certificate for \$250.00

A new member is someone that has never been a member of FORR® or an individual that has been out of FORR® for at least one (1) year.

#### Connections



GROVE OAK, Ala. – Buck's Pocket State Park received a \$526,996 grant through the federal Recreational Trails Program for 15 to 25 miles of off-highway-vehicle trails along a section of Sand Mountain in Jackson, DeKalb and Marshall counties. The grant is part of \$1.6 million the state awarded for 15 trails projects. The remainder of the grant from the Federal Highway Administration will go to the state's parks, public trust lands and city parks.

SACRAMENTO, Calif. – The U.S. Forest Service's Pacific Southwest Region is sharing its draft evaluations of lands that may be recommended and included in the National Wilderness Preservation System. No new wilderness areas are being designated at this time. The Forest Service is revising the forest plans for the Inyo, Sequoia and Sierra National Forests using the 2012 Planning Rule, which requires this wilderness evaluation. As part of this endeavor several documents are being shared for public review, including a draft wilderness evaluation report, maps, and tables that provide overviews of designated wilderness, recommended wilderness and potential recommended wilderness. The public may provide feedback on the areas being considered for analysis and suitable uses and management of recommended wilderness. More information regarding the management of recommended wilderness can be found in the Frequently Asked Questions document on the wilderness evaluation webpage: http://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/r5/landmanagement/planning/?cid=STELPRD3803608. Feedback may be submitted until Feb. 1 via web form at http://tinyurl.com/earlyadoptersfpr. Questions or concerns should go to Christina Boston at (707) 562-8837.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. – A bill filed by state Rep. Rocky Miller (R-Lake Ozark) would make the failure to wear a motorcycle helmet a secondary offense. Under current law, motorcyclists may be stopped by a law enforcement officer for failing to wear a helmet while riding. If Miller's bill is enacted, a helmet citation could be issued only if the motorcyclist is pulled over for another violation first.

KALISPELL, Mont. – The BlueRibbon Coalition and other advocacy groups are suing the U.S. Forest Service over a plan that bars motorized access to some areas of the Kootenai National Forest. The plan designates 115,000 acres as recommended wilderness and eliminates mechanized and motorized recreational uses. The lawsuit claims the Forest Service failed to follow federal guidelines for recommended wilderness areas and failed to provide adequate opportunity for public comment.

MADISON, Wis. – Two bills that would create a state off-road motorcycle program are scheduled for consideration in January by the state assembly. A.B. 470, sponsored by state Rep. Jeffrey Mursau (R-Crivitz) and S.B. 395, introduced by state Sen. Jerry Petrowski (R-Marathon), would create the Off-Highway Motorcycle Council to make recommendations to the state Department of Natural Resources on matters related to trails, routes and other OHM issues. The motorcycle program would be operated in a manner similar to the state's existing ATV program.

#### Industry News

EAST TROY, Wis. – The fate of the remaining assets of Erik Buell Racing are the subject of a Jan. 14 hearing before Walworth County (Wis.) Circuit Judge Phillip Koss, who declined to approved a sale of the assets to lone bidder Liquid Asset Partners LLC in December. Court-appointed receiver Michael Polsky had sought approval of the \$1.6 million sale after no other bids were received by the auction deadline. But the judge postponed a decision to give opponents of the sale time to object.

EBR closed in April 2015 and filed for receivership under Wisconsin state law. At a summer auction, India's Hero MotoCorp bought Buell's motorcycle design consulting business for \$2.8 million. The company's machinery, tooling, and parts inventory, as well as accounts receivable and intangibles were sold to Bruce Belfer, a New Jersey businessman who vowed to resume manufacturing with Erik Buell at the helm of the company. Belfer failed to arrange sufficient financing to close the \$2.25 million sale.

Belfer and Louisiana resident Demetri Melekos objected to the sale. They have until Jan. 4 to file motions.

#### AMA News

PICKERINGTON, Ohio – AMA Motorcycle Hall of Fame Legend Wayne Rainey is the 2015 AMA Motorcyclist of the Year. Rainey, a three-time world champion, two-time AMA Superbike champion and now president of MotoAmerica, leads a team that has revitalized professional road racing in the United States. The AMA Motorcyclist of the Year, awarded by the AMA Board of Directors, recognizes the person or persons who had the most profound impact within the motorcycling community in the previous 12 months.

MotoAmerica took the reins of professional road racing in late 2014 when a deal was struck among MotoAmerica, Daytona Motorsports Group and the AMA that enabled MotoAmerica to take over commercial and promotional responsibility for professional road racing in America and restored the AMA as the sanctioning body for professional road racing.

In 2015, MotoAmerica operated the first season of its professional road racing series, sanctioned by the AMA and FIM North America. The MotoAmerica series, the new home of the AMA Superbike Championship, built a strong platform and set professional road racing in America on a new path for success. The full story of Rainey's creation and development of MotoAmerica can be found in the January issue of American Motorcyclist, the official journal of the AMA.

PICKERINGTON, Ohio – The 2015 AMA Championship Banquet will honor national champions from all motorcycle and all-terrain-vehicle racing disciplines sanctioned by on Jan. 23 at The Hyatt Regency in Columbus, Ohio.

The 2015 AMA Championship Banquet honors competitors who placed first, second or third in AMA National Championship Series and at AMA Grand Championship events. Class champions will receive medals and AMA No. 1 plates at the banquet, while second- and third-place finishers also will receive awards. All who wish to celebrate the 2015 racing season are invited to attend. To register to attend, visit www.americanmotorcyclist.com/racing/racingbanquet.aspx.

The event also will include the drawing for an original condition 1986 Honda CR250R motocross bike. All proceeds from the raffle benefit the AMA Motorcycle Hall of Fame, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. One chance to win is available with a \$5 donation, or five chances are available with a \$20 donation. To donate, see www.motorcyclemuseum.org > Raffle Bike or call (614) 856-2222.

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#### Calendar of Events

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#### **FEBRUARY**

- 6 Local 7 Lebanon Leather & Lace Dance 417-531-5222
- 6 Local 30 Springfield/Nixa Leather & Lace Dance 417-887-2923
- 13 Local 10 Jefferson City Leather & Lace Dance 573-291-0159
- 27 Local 14 Independence Kickstand Memorial Pool Tournament 816-690-8557

#### **MARCH**

26 Local 42 Franklin County Leather & Lace Dance 314-221-7164

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